



**MANSFIELD ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN**  
**Wednesday, March 6, 2013**  
**Council Chambers – Town Hall**  
**MINUTES**

**Members Present:** S. Anderson, F. Baruzzi, S. Delia (staff), V. Fry, G. Bent, M. LaPlaca, J. Goldman, C. Guerreri, K. Krider (staff), R. Leclerc (staff), S. Rozelle, E. Soffer Roberts, J. Stoughton, A. Vincent, B. Waite, L. Young

**Regrets:** A. Bloom, MJ Newman,

**Guests:** Jill. Coghlan

<i><b>WHAT</b></i>	<i><b>DISCUSSION</b></i>	<i><b>OUTCOME</b></i>
CALL TO ORDER	G. Bent called the meeting to order at 5:35pm.	
CONSENT AGENDA	Approval of the Minutes of February 6, 2013 meeting.	<i>The February 6, 2013 Minutes were approved without changes.</i>
INTRODUCTION	K. Krider introduced Aviva Vincent who is the new United Way Collaborative Sponsor. Everyone introduced themselves to Aviva.	
TEAM UPDATES	<p><b>One Book:</b> Lisa Young reported on the progress of the Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The One Book event will take place at the Mansfield Public Library on April 20</li> <li>• The Library is providing a tent for the event.</li> <li>• QVCC students created display boards, they are ready for distribution to pre-school and kindergarten classrooms.</li> <li>• Kathleen Krider has been visiting the Home Providers in Mansfield and they are very excited about the One Book project and the accompanying packet of materials.</li> </ul> <p><b>Playground Committee:</b> Sara Anderson reported on the Playground Committee activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The concert by the UConn acappella group “Take Note” has been re-scheduled for May 19 at 3:00pm.</li> <li>• The Committee is working on some grants to raise the money needed to build the community playground.</li> <li>• There will be an Eggztravaganza Event at the Community Center on Saturday, March 30 to raise money for the Playground.</li> <li>• The Children’s Committee has been very active,</li> </ul>	

	<p>they are making posters to thank area businesses, planning a fundraiser for the summer – lemonade stand and bake sale, and they are also planning a fun run for later this year.</p> <p><b>School Readiness:</b> Kathleen Krider reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There is a meeting next week for the Unmet Needs Survey and Slot Allocation.</li> <li>• The budget line problem has been solved.</li> </ul>	
NEW BUSINESS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Community Self-Assessment</b>, moderated by Cindy Guerreri. Members discussed how to go about completing the Self-Assessment Tool. C. Guerreri agreed to moderate the discussion and whatever was not finished tonight, individuals would take home and complete on their own. The membership commenced filling out the Self-Assessment Tool and finished the entire process.</li> <li>2. <b>Stipends</b>, Kathleen Krider reported that there is some money that was previously used for Parent Stipends still in the budget. She said that it was likely that the money would not be used in the current fiscal year. There is approximately \$4000, net fiscal year there will be \$3000. The membership has discussed using this money for Communications or marketing, but has not come to a definitive decision. When the funds are allocated, the budget will need to be updated.</li> </ol> <p>There was a request that the MAC Executive Council Minutes be sent to the full MAC membership</p>	<p><i>S. Delia will send MAC Executive Council Minutes to the full MAC membership in the future.</i></p>
TEAM TIME	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Resource Plan</b>, The membership split into groups to work on filling out the Resource Section of the Plan. The group re-convened.</li> </ol>	<p><i>Groups are asked to forward their completed Resource tables to Kathleen Krider.</i></p>
PARKING LOT	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Summer Lunch Program</li> <li>2. Before/After School Care</li> </ol>	<p><i>Discussion on parking lot items is tabled because of time constraints.</i></p>
ADJOURN	<p>The meeting adjourned at 7:33pm.</p> <p>Next MAC Executive Council Meeting, <b>Wednesday, March 13, 2013, 2:00pm – 3:30pm</b> at Town Hall, Conference Room B..</p> <p>Next MAC Meeting, <b>Wednesday, April 3, 2013.</b></p> <p>Agenda topics: Please send to Kathleen at <a href="mailto:kriderk@mansfieldct.org">kriderk@mansfieldct.org</a></p> <p>Respectfully submitted,</p> <p>Sarah Delia Assistant to the Early Childhood Services Coordinator</p>	